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Art Unit 1632

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/390,634; Filed: September 7, 1999
For: **Method for Expanding Embryonic Stem Cells in Serum-Free Culture**
Inventors: Price *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.4190002/RWE/FRC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
3. PTO Credit Card Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of **\$72.00** to cover the extra claims fee; and
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1002 340	2002 170			Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265			Plant filing fee	
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1005 160	2005 80			Provisional filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

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Total Claims	111 -107 **= 4	X 18 =	72.00
Independent Claims	18 -18 **= 0	X 84 =	0
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
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1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1051 130	2051 65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130			Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210			Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475			Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165			Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145			Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503 640	2503 320			Plant issue fee	
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1809 770	2809 385			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 770	2810 385			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 770	2801 385			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **November 10, 2003** (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 29), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, amendments to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
 - in ascending order;
 - with status identifiers; and
 - with markings in the currently amended claims;
- (D) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.